

a2
Cnd

penetrability superior to ink having high dye density on the recording medium [and each of said plural inks having a different penetrability].

14. (Amended) An ink-jet recording method for forming an image on a recording medium by using a plurality of ink discharge means which discharge inks;

AV
CB

said plural ink discharge means corresponding to a plurality of inks with different dye densities in inks, wherein the penetrability of inks having different dye density is different from each other and ink having low dye density among a plurality of inks of different dye is ink having penetrability superior to ink having high dye density on the recording medium [and each of said plural inks having a different penetrability].

AT
AK

21. (Amended) An ink-jet recording apparatus, comprising a recording head equipped with a plurality of ink discharge means, which discharge ink, and forming an image on a recording medium by discharging the ink through a plurality of discharge ports of said recording head, wherein the plural discharge ports of said recording head are comprised of a plurality of discharge port trains corresponding to a plurality of inks, each of the inks having a different dye density in ink, wherein the penetrability of inks having different dye density is different from each other and ink having low dye density among a plurality of inks of different

~~30. (Amended) An ink-jet recording apparatus, comprising a plurality of recording heads equipped with a plurality of ink discharge means, which discharge ink through discharge ports, and form [forming] an image on a recording medium by discharging the ink through a plurality of discharge ports of said recording heads, wherein said plural recording heads correspond to a plurality of inks with different dye densities in ink, wherein the penetrability of inks having different dye density is different from each other and ink having low dye density among a plurality of inks of different dye is ink having penetrability superior to ink having high dye density on the [and each of said plural inks with different dye densities in ink has different penetrability on a] recording medium.~~

~~30. (Amended) An ink-jet recording apparatus, comprising a plurality of recording heads equipped with a plurality of ink discharge means, which discharge ink through discharge ports, and form [forming] an image on a recording medium by discharging the ink through a plurality of discharge ports of said recording heads, wherein said plural recording heads correspond to a plurality of inks with different dye densities in ink, wherein the penetrability of inks having different dye density is different from each other and ink having low dye density among a plurality of inks of different dye is ink having penetrability superior to ink having high dye density on the [and each of said plural inks with different dye densities in ink has different penetrability on a] recording medium.~~

REMARKS

Claims 1-62 are pending, with claims 1, 14, 21, 30, 36, 37, 53 and 61 being independent. Claims 1, 14, 21 and 30 have been amended to more clearly recite a feature of the invention. The various inks with different dye densities have different penetrabilities; namely, the low dye density ink has greater permeability than the high dye density ink.